

IN THE U.S. PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: OHGAMI, Yoichi et al      Conf.:  
Appl. No.: NEW      Group:  
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For: RELAY DEVICE, RELAY METHOD, RELAY PROGRAM  
PRODUCT AND COMPUTER-READABLE RECORDING  
MEDIUM HAVING RELAY PROGRAM RECORDED  
THEREON

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

June 25, 2003

Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

--9. (New) The method of relaying a signal by a relay device according to claim 6, further comprising the steps of:

providing a second signal transmission/reception unit separately from said first signal reception unit; and